

# QUARTERLY REPORT



CITY OF SUNNYVALE

SPRING 2007

## CITY COUNCIL APPROVES NEW DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT PLAN

### UNANIMOUS VOTE WILL ALLOW PROJECT SALE, CONSTRUCTION RESTART

**B**y a unanimous vote, Sunnyvale City Council and Redevelopment Agency (RDA) approved a series of motions that will allow the partnership of RREEF and Sand Hill Properties to purchase the mostly-shuttered Sunnyvale Town Center and begin site redevelopment. While the central mall buildings have been closed for some time, independently-owned Macy's and Target have remained open for business. The actions were taken at the Council and RDA's regular meeting February 6.

The project came to a halt in early 2006 when developer Fourth Quarter Properties ceased work on the site after razing a parking garage, the first step in the demolition work. The City found Fourth Quarter in breach of their contract and, late last year, began to move to take over the project. That's when Fourth Quarter proposed selling the project to a joint venture between RREEF, a global financing organization, and local developer Sand Hill Properties.

In December 2006, RDA gave preliminary approval to the proposed transfer, but in order to

complete the sale, Council had to approve several documents related to the proposed new project. A special development permit for the site plan, design and use approvals for the construction of up to 1 million square feet of commercial space – including a multiplex movie theater – along with 275,000 square feet of office space and up to 292 housing units, was approved by a unanimous vote.

The RREEF/Sand Hill development team also asked Council for

*See "Downtown Update", page 8*

## NEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MULTICULTURAL DIVERSITY AND OUTREACH

Last fall, Sunnyvale City Council authorized funding to create a two-year pilot committee to advise City staff on multicultural outreach and issues. The new Advisory Committee on Multicultural Diversity and Outreach is anticipated to start this summer. The new committee will review and make recommendations on City programs, activities and possible study Issues related to multicultural diversity and outreach.

In addition, Council directed staff to make use of existing boards, commissions and advisory committees to further address multicultural and diversity outreach issues, as appropriate, within their ongoing work plans. If you are interested in applying to serve on the committee, or for more information, contact Patricia Lord, Community Resources Manager, at (408) 730-7477, TDD (408) 730-7501, or e-mail [plord@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:plord@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).



*Artist Rendering of Redwood Plaza.*

## SUNNYVALE TO SELECT REUSE OPTIONS FOR ONIZUKA

**S**unnyvale's Citizens Advisory Committee and its City Council, acting as the Local Reuse Authority (LRA), will soon complete phase one of a multi-year project to plan for the civilian reuse of Onizuka Air Force Station upon its closure in 2011.

The LRA selected conceptual reuse options in March and then began phase two, analysis and evaluation of these options. Once a final option has been identified, the LRA will develop an Onizuka reuse plan, identifying the preferable option, which will then be submitted to the Department of Defense and the Department of Housing

and Urban Development. The Department of Defense will have one year to make a formal decision on the plan and begin the process of transferring the property.

Once the Defense Department's decision has been made, the reuse project will enter the final phase – negotiating and implementing the reuse plan. The LRA is working with the Air Force, the Department of Defense and the Department of Veteran's Affairs to complete the complex planning process.

Members of the Sunnyvale community are encouraged to join the discussion with both the Onizuka LRA and its Community

Advisory Committee, to help formulate a community consensus and vision for the future civilian reuse of the Onizuka property. A number of focus groups and public hearings have already been held, and more will be held throughout 2007. You can contact the City to find out more about the meetings, reports, and scheduled event opportunities by going to the City's Web site at [Onizuka.InSunnyvale.com](http://Onizuka.InSunnyvale.com), contacting the Onizuka Redevelopment Hotline at (408) 730-7739, TDD (408) 730-7501, or e-mailing Robert Switzer, BRAC Project Manager, at [rswitzer@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:rswitzer@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us). ☺



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## BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS PROGRAM

**W**ould you like to get more involved with the City of Sunnyvale? Apply to advise the City Council by serving on an advisory board or commission. Board and commission members serve on a volunteer basis and are appointed by Council to help set the direction for Sunnyvale. Special requirements and qualifications, such as residency and professional experience, may be required.

Sunnyvale residents interested in serving on a board or commission may obtain an application form at the Office of the City Clerk, 603 All America Way, or online at [boardsandcommissions.inSunnyvale.com](http://boardsandcommissions.inSunnyvale.com).

Staff contact numbers and more information may also be found on the City's Web site. Please call the staff contact for additional information regarding the duties and responsibilities of a specific board or commission.

Recruitment for summer appointments is underway for the following openings:

- Arts Commission (three vacancies)
- Board of Building Code Appeals (two vacancies)
- Board of Library Trustees (one vacancy)
- Child Care Advisory Board (one vacancy) (Opening is for an applicant with Community College Affiliation)

- Heritage Preservation Commission (two vacancies)
- Housing and Human Services Commission (three vacancies)
- Parks and Recreation Commission (one vacancy)
- Personnel Board (two vacancies) (one seat must be nominated by a City employee)
- Planning Commission (two vacancies)

Please join us for an informational meeting, 6 p.m., Monday, April 30, at the Sunnyvale City Hall West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave. Applications must be received in the Office of the City Clerk by 5 p.m., Friday, May 11. ☼

## SUNNYVALE HEALTH & SAFETY FAIR SATURDAY, MAY 12 – 11 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

**I**t's time once again for Sunnyvale's annual celebration of health, safety and wellness. Bring the family to the Columbia Neighborhood Center, 785 Morse Ave., Saturday, May 12, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the 2007 Health & Safety Fair. This fun, outdoor event features free health screenings, entertainment, activities for kids and more.

There will be more than 70 exhibitors at the fair, providing health and safety-related information. Children can play in the soccer tournament, take a helmet safety class and bring their bikes in for minor repairs. The fair will also have clowns, face-painters, child safety seat inspections and more, with entertainment like the Perfection on Wheels Bike Stunt Team.

If you are part of a health or safety-related organization and would like to participate as a fair exhibitor, or for more information about the fair, visit [HealthandSafetyFair.inSunnyvale.com](http://HealthandSafetyFair.inSunnyvale.com) or contact Karen Rivers at (408) 730-7532. If you would like to volunteer for this event, contact the City's Volunteer Resources Office at (408) 730-7533 or visit [volunteering.inSunnyvale.com](http://volunteering.inSunnyvale.com). ☼

# Health Safety Fair 2007

## ELECTION 2007

The City of Sunnyvale municipal election will be held in November 2007 for four City Council seats with terms expiring 2011. The four seats that will open are:

**SEAT 4:** Currently occupied by Councilmember Dean J. Chu

**SEAT 5:** Currently occupied by Mayor Otto Lee

**SEAT 6:** Currently occupied by Councilmember Ron Swegles

**SEAT 7:** Currently occupied by Councilmember Melinda Hamilton

If you are interested in running for City Council, call the Office of the City Clerk at (408) 730-7483, TDD (408) 730-7501 for more information.

## HOME SECURITY TIPS

- Always lock your doors and windows, even when leaving for only a minute.
- Keep track of your keys.
- Exterior doors should have deadbolt locks with a one-inch, strong, metal bar extending into the doorframe.
- When on vacation, do not let deliveries accumulate; have a neighbor pick up mail, newspapers, packages and circulars daily.
- Maintain your lawn and walks.
- Do not keep valuable jewelry at home; keep it along with other small valuables and important documents in a safe deposit box.

For a free home security survey, call the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 730-7116.

## PROTECT YOUR IDENTITY

The City of Sunnyvale's Department of Public Safety and the recycling program are sponsoring a paper-shredding event May 12. The event will be part of the Health & Safety Fair at the Columbia Neighborhood Center, 785 Morse Ave. from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring your personal records and files, and Cintas will shred them and recycle the paper on site at no cost. Free up space, eliminate security risks and get rid of outdated papers. Staples, rubber bands, folders and paper clips do not need to be removed before shredding. If you have questions, contact the Sunnyvale Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262.

**City Paper Shredding Event**  
**May 12, 2007**  
**Health & Safety Fair**  
**Columbia Neighborhood Center**



# THE MAGIC OF VOLUNTEERING

Volunteerism will take center stage as Sunnyvale celebrates National Volunteer Week, April 16 – 20. The City of Sunnyvale has many interesting and fun volunteering opportunities in many departments throughout the City. The volunteer program works hard to make sure your volunteer experience is rewarding, by matching your skills and interests with the volunteer opportunity that's right for you. Some volunteer assignments are short-term, while some are more extended and may require a longer commitment.

### What do volunteers do?

Volunteers work their magic in many ways throughout the City. Here is a glimpse of some current opportunities:

- Coach sports or help with summer camp programs
- Act as tutors or translators
- Assist with data entry, filing, bulk mailings
- Provide customer service at locations such as the Senior Center or Library
- Research and develop databases and Web sites
- VIPS – Volunteers in Public Safety
- Volunteer at special events, such as the Health & Safety Fair or Hands on the Arts

To find out more about the City of Sunnyvale's volunteering opportunities, call Volunteer Resources at (408) 730-7533, TDD (408) 730-7501, or visit [volunteering.inSunnyvale.com](http://volunteering.inSunnyvale.com). ☺



# THE IN PLACE FOR SUNNYVALE INFORMATION

We'll admit it. Sometimes it's just not that easy to find what you're looking for on the City of Sunnyvale's Web site. If you're looking for information on block parties, for example, you have to type [sunnyvale.ca.gov/Departments/Office+of+the+City+Manager/Community+Resources/Community+Outreach/Block+Party+Kit.htm](http://sunnyvale.ca.gov/Departments/Office+of+the+City+Manager/Community+Resources/Community+Outreach/Block+Party+Kit.htm). Doesn't exactly roll off the tongue – or the fingers.

That's why Sunnyvale has introduced a series of new Web addresses, all ending with *"inSunnyvale.com."* Now, to get that elusive block party information, you only need to type *BlockParty.inSunnyvale.com* into your Web browser, and you're there. Want Below Market Rate (BMR) housing information? Go to *AffordableHousing.inSunnyvale.com*. How about a map of local shopping centers? It's at *ShoppingCenters.inSunnyvale.com*. Want to get married in Sunnyvale? Then visit *Weddings.inSunnyvale.com*.

These new *inSunnyvale.com* addresses are not new pages, they are simply shortcuts to existing pages on the City's Web site. But they should make browsing the City's site a much more pleasant experience. Currently, there are nearly 80 *inSunnyvale.com* addresses set up, and more are being added all the time. See a current list at [shortcuts.inSunnyvale.com](http://shortcuts.inSunnyvale.com).

### Current inSunnyvale.com Addresses

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. AffordableHousing     | 26. Events              | 52. Parks             |
| 2. AnimalControl         | 27. Facts               | 53. Permits           |
| 3. Animals               | 28. FactSheets          | 54. Police            |
| 4. Arts                  | 29. Fees                | 55. PublicSafety      |
| 5. AutoRow               | 30. Fire                | 56. PublicWorks       |
| 6. Biking                | 31. FriendsOfTheLibrary | 57. QuarterlyReport   |
| 7. BlockParty            | 32. GeneralPlan         | 58. RecJobs           |
| 8. boardsand commissions | 33. Golf                | 59. Recreation        |
| 9. BRAC                  | 34. Government          | 60. Recreation-Signup |
| 10. Charter              | 35. Graffiti            | 61. Recycling         |
| 11. Childcare            | 36. HamRadio            | 62. ResourceGuide     |
| 12. CityCouncil          | 37. HandsOnTheArts      | 63. Resources         |
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| 14. CityManager          | 39. Hotels              | 65. Schools           |
| 15. CitySkills           | 40. Hotlines            | 66. Seniors           |
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| 17. CouncilAgendas       | 42. KSUN                | 68. ShoppingCarts     |
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| 20. CrimePrevention      | 45. MunicipalCode       | 71. StudyIssues       |
| 21. Downtown             | 46. MySummer            | 72. Tennis            |
| 22. DPS                  | 47. Neighborhoods       | 73. Transportation    |
| 23. DPW                  | 48. NewResident         | 74. Visioning         |
| 24. EMS                  | 49. OES                 | 75. Volunteering      |
| 25. EventApplication     | 50. One-stop            | 76. Weddings          |
|                          | 51. Onizuka             | 77. YellowPages ☺     |

## 2007 STATE OF THE CITY AWARD NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the 2007 State of the City Community Awards will be accepted throughout the month of April. Nominations are due Monday, April 30, at 5 p.m.

The State of the City celebration will once again be held at Washington Park, July 4, at 11 a.m. The mayor and City Council will present awards to outstanding members of the Sunnyvale community, including:

- Outstanding High School Senior,
- Outstanding Businessperson,
- Outstanding Community Volunteer,
- Outstanding Contribution to the Arts,
- Outstanding Environmental Achievement,
- Outstanding Educator of the Year, and
- Distinguished Resident of the Year.

For additional information, please call the Communications Division at (408) 730-7535, TDD (408) 730-7501.

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# SUNNYVALE LIBRARY OF THE FUTURE

**P**rogress continues on the Sunnyvale Library of the Future. In December, Anderson Brulé Architects completed the Sunnyvale Library of the Future Study and Strategy Community Needs Assessment, Plan of Service, Building Program and Existing Facility Assessment. The

Library Board of Trustees reviewed the study at their January 8 meeting and recommended Council approval.

The study found that Sunnyvale had the busiest library in California based on hourly checkouts, at 534 checkouts per hour in 2005. Also, according to the study, the Library is too small and problems with its infrastructure may prevent it from meeting future needs. Based on community needs, anticipated population growth and demand for community space, the Library will require up to 143,000 square feet – up from its current size of 60,800 square feet – by the year 2030.

Books will continue to be important to the community, but the Library should be poised to mirror the technological experience of community members' everyday lives.

The study also found community support for the idea that the Library should promote early childhood literacy, support formal education and provide opportunities for life-long learning, including providing larger, more interesting, and friendlier spaces for children and teens to read, study and interact with others.

At their January 23 meeting, Council reviewed the study, accepted the findings and gave direction on

additional goals and next steps, including:

- Explore the extent to which the existing library building may be expanded or upgraded
- Explore construction of a new library on a City-owned site
- Explore a branch library option using a school/public library joint-use facility such as at Columbia Middle School as an example of a public library branch.

Council is scheduled to review these options at their April 24 meeting.

In a separate Council action at their January 30 meeting, Council approved support for a new library construction bond act introduced by State Senator Joe Simitian. If

moved forward, SB 156, the California Reading and Literacy

Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2008, could potentially provide a portion of the funding needed for the Sunnyvale Library of the Future.

For more developments on the Sunnyvale Library of the Future project, visit [libraryofthefuture.inSunnyvale.com](http://libraryofthefuture.inSunnyvale.com), or call (408) 730-7314, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☎



## COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

### City staff updating General Plan to encourage community involvement

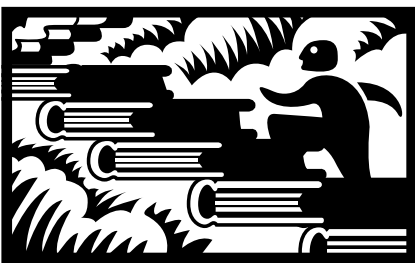
Community participation is an essential tool for local government to identify and respond to residents' concerns and needs. The City's goal is to achieve a relationship with residents and businesses, allowing them to effectively shape both their future and the future of their city.

The Community Participation sub-element of the Sunnyvale General Plan deals with connecting the community to municipal services and information. Typically, cities do not include the subject of community participation in their general plans, nor is it required to be included by the California Government Code. Sunnyvale was among the first cities in the state to have such a policy document when it was originally adopted in 1983; it was later updated in 1995.

The current project will look at current data and evaluate the goals set in 1995. Staff will also evaluate emerging issues that have arisen from the City's changing demographics.

In updating the Community Participation sub-element, staff will look at recent census data and trends, evaluate success in meeting existing goals, consider whether the goals are still relevant and what modifications might be needed, and check for consistency with other City planning and policy documents. The draft of the update is scheduled to be reviewed by Council in a study session July 24. For more information, contact Patricia Lord, at (408) 730-7477, TDD (408) 730-7501, or e-mail [plord@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:plord@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

# SUMMER READING PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES



### For Adults (June 1 – August 31)

The "Challenge Yourself to Read" summer reading program for adults begins Friday, June 1, and ends Friday, August 31. To participate, you must be 16 years or older (younger readers should sign up for the teen or children's programs). You must have a current Sunnyvale Public Library card and must have at least one book read at the time you sign up. Sign-ups begin Friday, June 1 and end Wednesday, August 1. Books can be fiction or non-fiction, and in any language. Unabridged audiobooks also qualify. You record the books you read in a log that you receive when you sign up. After the first eight books are read, you will receive a free paperback book as a prize.

Please stop at the Information/Reference Desk to sign up and

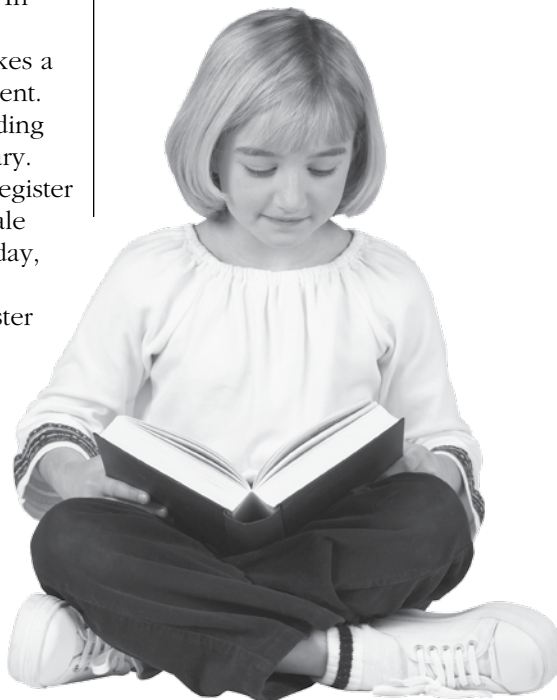
receive your reading log. The last day to record titles is Friday, August 31. Join us at the Library and "Challenge Yourself to Read" this summer.

### For Teens and Children (June 16 – September 2)

Every summer the Library joins public libraries all over the country in sponsoring a free and fun way to encourage children to read: the Summer Reading Program. In addition to combating summer boredom, summer reading makes a difference in student achievement.

The theme for Summer Reading 2007 is Get a Clue@ Your Library. Children age 3 and older can register for the program at the Sunnyvale Public Library beginning Saturday, June 16. Students who have completed fifth grade can register for a separate program, YNK (You Never Know) @ Your Library. For both programs, participants must read 10 books by Sunday, September 2, in order to claim a prize: a free paperback book donated by the Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library. The Friends also sponsors activities for children and

teens during the summer. Folksinger Adam Miller, magician Brian Scott, and a performance by P & T Puppets have been scheduled, as well as craft programs and story times for preschoolers. Flyers with full details of both children's and teen reading programs will be available in the Library in late May. Information will also be posted on the Library's Web site, [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org). ☎





# LIBRARY PROGRAMS

## CHILDREN’S STORY TIMES

### Cuentos en Español

Saturday, April 14; May 12, 2 p.m.  
Para la familia entera! Stories in Spanish for the whole family!

### Family Story Time

Saturdays, April 21; May 5, 19, 10:30 a.m.  
For all ages.

### Mother Goose for Pre-walkers

Tuesdays, April 3, 17; May 1, 15, 29;  
June 26, 11 a.m.

### Mother Goose for Walkers

Tuesdays, April 10, 24; May 8, 22;  
June 19, 11 a.m.  
Up to age 2.

### Night Owl Story Time

Thursdays, April 5, 19; May 3, 31, 7 p.m.  
Ages 3 – 8.

### Preschool Story Time

Thursday, April 26; May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31,  
11 a.m.  
A weekly small group program for children ages 3 to 5 who are able to participate without a parent or caregiver. Each six-week session will focus on a different skill leading to kindergarten readiness. This session will include the technique of dialogic reading, which elicits responses from the children to a story. Registration begins Thursday, April 12.

### Stories in Russian

Saturdays, April 28; May 26, 10:30 a.m.

### Time for Tales

Mondays, April 2, 16, 30; May 7, 21;  
June 18, 11 a.m.  
Ages 3 – 5.

### Toddler Story Time (evening)

Wednesdays, April 11, 25; May 9, 23, 7 p.m.  
Ages 2 – 3½.

### Toddler Story Time (morning)

Wednesdays, April 4, 18; May 2, 16, 30;  
June 27, 11 a.m.  
Ages 2 – 3½.

## CHILDREN’S SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### American Folk Songs

Thursday, May 17, 7 p.m.  
Sing along with Librarian Beth Nord as she introduces favorite music from our country’s past. For the whole family.

### Celebrate Arbor Day!

Saturday, April 7, 10:30 a.m.  
Listen to stories and help plant a tree on the Library grounds. For the whole family.

### Chess for Kids

Saturdays, April 7; May 5, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Teen tutors will organize participants and teach skills. For children third grade and up.

### Summer Reading Programs for Children/Teens

Begins Saturday, June 16  
Children age 3 and older are invited to join the Get a Clue @ Your Library summer reading program. Teens who have completed fifth grade and up are invited to join the YNK (You Never Know) @ Your Library summer reading program. Sign-ups begin Saturday, June 16. Folksinger Adam Miller will perform for the first summer program at the Library on Thursday, June 21, at 2 p.m. More information will be available on the Library Web site in late May.

## ADULT CLASSES

### Basic Business Research

Thursday, April 19, 2– 4 p.m.  
Learn how to find information on starting a small business, writing a business plan, finding company performance data and performing competitive analysis. We will also cover resources for protecting and researching the intellectual property of a business.

### Blogs & Blogging (Formerly called Creating a Web Page)

Tuesday, April 3, 6– 8 p.m.;  
Wednesday, June 6, 3– 5 p.m.

The popularity of blogs has exploded over the past few years and is transforming the way the Web is used. Hear practical ideas for launching your Web presence, learn about free tools to create a blog in minutes and how new technologies can help you reach the world with your message.

### Computer Basics

Wednesdays, April 4; May 2,  
2 p.m. – 4 p.m. at the Library  
Tuesday, June 5, 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. at the Senior Center  
A presentation designed for new or first-time computer users, with an opportunity for hands-on practice. Learn about computers in a relaxed, stress-free setting. Registration starts two weeks prior to class date.

### Extreme Googling

Thursday, May 17, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the Library  
Thursday, June 21, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the Senior Center  
Learn how to get the most out of Google and improve search efficiency. You will learn why word order is important, how Google “thinks,” and how to limit and combine terms.

### Free Databases

Thursday, May 10, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Some of the Library’s most valuable and up-to-date resources are online. Learn how to get free access to millions of Web-based magazine and newspaper articles, thousands of e-books, detailed company directories, in-depth information on health, business, controversial issues and more.

### Genealogy Databases

Tuesday, May 15, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Learn about the Library’s genealogy databases, Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest Online. The course will cover content, basic searching, printing and saving techniques.

### Searching the Internet

Tuesday, May 22; Thursday, June 21,  
2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Find the information you want in minutes. Learn effective search techniques, discuss search engines and indices, and discover great places to start your search. Meet some specialized search engines, visit the Invisible Web and explore some special features of your favorite research tools. For those familiar with the Internet.

## LITERATURE PROGRAMS

### Monthly Book Group

Thursdays, April 19; May 17; June 21, 7 p.m.  
Enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books selected by the group, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experience. All are welcome. The Devil in the White City by Erik Larsen will be discussed in April, Inheritance of Loss by Kiran Desai in May, and Snow Flower and the Secret Fan by Lisa See.

### Read-Along Shakespeare

Mondays, April 2; May 7; June 4, 7 p.m.  
Gather with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. Henry IV will be read in April, Much Ado About Nothing in May, and Measure for Measure in June.

## ADULT SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### Dream Green Kitchens

Wednesday, April 18; 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Library Program Room  
Join author Jennifer Roberts (Good Green Kitchens, Redux and Good Green Homes), for a lively talk about what green means when it comes to the kitchen, the nation’s most frequently remodeled room. Get tips for eco-friendly redecorating and remodeling, and advice on how to keep costs in check when greening your kitchen. Learn about techniques, materials and products being used today to create kitchens that are beautiful, healthier for people and easier on the planet. Sunnyvale Building Division staff will also be on hand to answer your questions about permit requirements for kitchen remodeling projects. Call (408) 730-7484 to reserve your space (walk-ins are welcome, space permitting).

### Author Bob Balmanno

Thursday, April 12, 7 p.m.  
Local author Bob Balmanno will discuss his new book September Snow.

### Fifteen Years of Road Show

Tuesday, June 5, 10 a.m.  
Mr. Roadshow, San Jose Mercury News’ transportation reporter Gary Richards, will share his insights gleaned from 15 years of questions and answers about busy commute routes, driver behavior, traffic bottlenecks, road hazards and the varied aggravations, dangers and delights of everyday travel in Santa Clara County.

### Future Business Leaders Showcase

Thursday, April 26, 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Right in our own backyard, the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter at Homestead High School has become one of the nation’s premiere business leadership organizations. Come hear these students’ nationally-recognized project presentations, learn about their positive impact in our community, and be amazed at the talent and professionalism of our young people.

### Summer Reading Program for Adults

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### Tips for Using the USPTO Web Site

Wednesday, May 9, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
If you’re an inventor, business owner, entrepreneur, intellectual property professional, researcher or just interested in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Web site, this class is for you. With an emphasis on patent research, this orientation to www.uspto.gov will help you locate forms, fees, file histories, status information, scam prevention and complaints, links to related sites, and a brief review of patent searching. Presented by Marjory Cameron, Patent and Trademark Librarian.

# COMMUNITY LIAISON SERVICE

The City of Sunnyvale prides itself on customer service. The City’s goal is to make it as easy as possible for residents to get their questions answered and their problems resolved. Occasionally, an issue arises that is particularly complex, or is not answered to the community member’s satisfaction. Sunnyvale’s community liaison service is available to help resolve these complex or time-intensive issues. The liaison office links community members with City services and helps residents by evaluating various options and working with all City departments.

The liaison service has been in place since 2003, and has helped resolve issues ranging from construction noise and inconsistent street signage to ideas for improvements to City parks. In many cases, the liaison office puts residents in direct contact with appropriate staff, either within the City or in outside organizations, to address the specific concerns.

For more information, please contact the Community Liaison Office at (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501, or e-mail [ncs@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:ncs@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us) .

LIBRARY

# SENIOR TRIPS

The Senior Center trip program is offering yet another wonderful year of exciting daylong and extended trips. These trips are led by a Sunnyvale guide and include round-trip transportation from the Senior Center, deluxe hotel accommodations, most meals, some narrated tours and all gratuities for services provided.

Whether you participate in a day-long trip, an overnight bus trip, a cruise or an extended trip of many nights, you'll have an opportunity to meet new friends, see some great sights and return home with wonderful memories. Select a trip from one of the nine day-long trips offered each quarter, or one of our extended trips, and we'll handle the rest.

Trip information is listed on the Web at [seniors.inSunnyvale.com](http://seniors.inSunnyvale.com), in



the Senior Center's quarterly *Steppin' Out Messenger* newsletter, and in the Senior Center's quarterly Activity Guide. If you are not currently receiving these publications, and would like to, contact the Sunnyvale Senior Center at (408) 730-7360, TDD (408) 730-7501.

## Yosemite

May 30 – June 3

Highlights of the trip include lunch at the Nutcracker in Oakdale; Hershey's Visitor's Center and Gift Shop; Ironstone Vineyard's wine tasting, tour and dinner; tour Yosemite's valley floor; lunch and tour of the beautiful Awahnee Hotel; hiking and communing with nature; and dinner at Applebee's on the way home.

## Yellowstone National Park

June 19 – 26

Highlights include visits to Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, Devil's Tower National Monument, Buffalo Bill's Historical Center, Grand Teton National Park, and Salt Lake City.

## Lake Tahoe

September 18 – 19

Travel Interstate 80 and enjoy the beautiful autumn foliage on the way

to Lake Tahoe, where we'll spend two nights at the Horizon Hotel and Casino. The first evening you are on your own to have dinner at one of the many casinos or restaurants in the area, see a show, or perhaps do a bit of gambling. The next day, after a complimentary continental breakfast, it's off to Virginia City, NV, to visit historical sites, have lunch, do some window shopping and end the day with a dinner and dance cruise aboard a paddle wheeler. On day three, after breakfast, we'll take State Route 50 back to the Bay Area, with stops at Apple Hill for lunch, Jack Russell Farm Brewing Company for a taste of their famous ales, ginger ale, or root beer, and a stop for a snack of apple fritters and apple juice.

## Washington, D.C.

October 18 – 23

Highlights include tours of the White House, Library of Congress, Bureau of Printing & Engraving, the Smithsonian, national monuments and several memorials, including the World War II memorial. Plus we've scheduled an evening at a dinner theatre. There's also time for you to explore Washington or more of the Smithsonian on your own. 🌍

# SENIOR CENTER LUNCH PROGRAM

Have you heard about the best kept secret in Sunnyvale? If you stop by the Senior Center Monday through Friday at noon, you're in for a real treat. Step inside the Center and you'll smell the wonderful aromas wafting through the halls. Once you find your way to the Peach Room in the Orchard Pavilion, you can expect to find a wonderful group of seniors, friends and guests enjoying a delicious hot meal served with only the freshest ingredients. The menu varies daily, featuring everything from chicken cordon bleu to Asian stir fry to roast pork, and includes a salad or soup, vegetable, dessert and beverage.

Everything is prepared on-site by Chef Luis Masias, who works under the direction of Basil Salah, Food Service Manager of Culinary Magic. Lunches are served by City of Sunnyvale volunteers and once a month you can look forward to a visit from Sunnyvale firefighters as they assist the volunteers. Reservations are recommended but drop-ins are welcome.

## Lunch Prices

- \$4.50 Senior Center Members with advanced reservations
- \$7 Non-Members and Guests.

For more information, call (408) 730-7360, TDD (408) 730-7501, or visit us at 550 E. Remington Drive. Don't forget to bring your appetite! For a current menu, visit [recreation.inSunnyvale.com](http://recreation.inSunnyvale.com).

# DANCE LIKE A STAR

Have you always wanted to dance like the professionals but were afraid to try? It's never too late! The Sunnyvale Senior Center offers ballroom dance lessons on the second Wednesday of each month, beginning at 6:45 p.m. Lessons are taught by Instructors Ron and Babi Hogue; following the lessons, you're invited to stay for the evening dance, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Morning lessons are also held the first and third Wednesday of each month, beginning at 10:45 a.m., so there's no excuse not to learn. Best of all, you don't need a partner. Men are encouraged to attend. Leather-soled shoes are recommended.

No reservations are required. The dance floor is 4,363 square feet of cushioned hardwood. For more information, call (408) 730-7360, TDD (408) 730-7501.

**Evening Dance Lessons:** 6:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.; Dance: 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
**Featured Lessons:** March: Tango; April: Rumba; May: 2-Step  
**Price:** Members – \$4 / Non-members – \$5  
Dance lessons included in price of admission. Refreshments Included

**Day Dance Lessons:** 10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.  
**Featured Lessons:** March 14 and 21: Tango; April 4 and 18: Rumba; May 2 and 16: 2-Step  
**Price:** Members: \$2 / Non-members \$3

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HANDS ON THE ARTS

The City of Sunnyvale is looking for people 14 and older who are interested and available to volunteer for a shift Saturday, May 19, for the City's annual Hands on the Arts event. The shifts available are:

**ALL DAY:** 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**MORNING:** 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**AFTERNOON:** 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

All volunteers will receive a free T-shirt, and if you commit to an all-day shift, lunch will be provided.

If you're thinking, "What's in it for me?" the answer is, plenty! Hands on the Arts is a one-of-a-kind event, and the day is a lot of fun. Under the supervision of an artist, you'll help children and their families create simple art projects. It's more play than work.

Here are some of the things you might get in return for your giving:

- New friends
- Confidence and self-esteem

- Feeling needed and important
- Satisfaction from getting things done and helping others
- Meet people who could be role models
- Use your mind, body and creativity
- Be active and become healthier
- Relieve stress
- Fight boredom
- Spend time doing something you really care about
- Be part of a community
- Have fun!

In addition to the art projects, the event features food booths, community information booths and a full day of stage entertainment.

If you're interested in volunteering, contact Jenni Wong at (408) 730-7724, TDD (408) 730-7501, or [jwong@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:jwong@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us). 🌍



# SUNNYVALE CAMP REGISTRATION BEGINS

The City of Sunnyvale is offering a variety of specialty camps with an emphasis in sports, aquatics, arts, drama, dance and technology. Traditional day camps are designed to encourage physical activity, social interaction, development of new skills and most importantly, having fun with old and new friends. Program details are available in the March issue of the *Sunnyvale Activity Guide*, which is mailed to all Sunnyvale residents, and is available at the community center, Library and other locations. You can also find program information online at [MySummer.InSunnyvale.com](http://MySummer.InSunnyvale.com).

Venture Camps are a series of traditional day camps offered for eight weeks during the summer. Lil Ventures is for children ages 5 to 6, Jr. Ventures is for ages 7 to 9 and Super Ventures is for ages 9 to 11. Weekly themed activities include arts, crafts, sports, games, nature crafts and more. The camps feature weekly swim days, special events and field trips to places like The Jungle, Raging Waters and Logitech Ice. Extended-care options are available.

### Science and Technology

Kids who like to be challenged and like computers, technology and science, will appreciate the variety of technology camps offered this summer. In the new GPS Adventures Camp, campers will learn to use a GPS unit while searching for hidden clues and rewards. They will find and hide geocaches, as well as learn to measure speed and distance, mark a spot, find a waypoint and play games like GeoDashing, GeoGolf and ShutterSpot.

Other technology-based camps include Mad Science Camp, which is designed to stimulate the mind, and Nature's Anatomy Academy where campers will have fun finding and magnifying nature's smallest critters,

from fungus to insects. Choose from "Fizz"-ical Phenomena & Che-Mystery, Wacky Robots and Widgets, Jet Cadets, Motor Madnesss with LEGOs™, Designing a Computer, NXT Robotics, Hollywood Special Effects and more are offered by TechKnowHow.

Summer Express, for children ages 6 to 12, is offered in the mornings for two weeks beginning June 2. The program resembles a college campus where children select the activities they wish to participate in. There are four periods each morning and children select from the arts, special interest and sports. Club X is a half-day camp offered from 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. This camp provides a half-day camp immediately following Summer Express for families needing a full-day program.

### Sports

Children interested in developing or refining athletic skills will have a wide variety of clinics and camps to from which to choose. Back by popular demand are the following camps; Skyhawks baseball, volleyball and multi-sport camps, junior golf camp, Little Tigers taekwondo, and other sports and aquatics camps. Other popular camps include soccer, lacrosse and basketball.

### Create and Explore

Children looking for a way to explore and be creative will enjoy attending the World Arts Camp, a melting pot of international music, dance, arts and crafts. Campers will explore the different visual and performing arts activities from different cultures. The camp concludes with a performance, gallery exhibition and an international potluck for family and friends. In the new Technical Theatre Camp, participants go behind the scenes to learn about scenery design, how to make props, work the light board and more. The last day of camp, the participants will work on the

performance of the World Arts Camp. Other theatre arts camps include Musical Theatre Camp, Visual Arts Camp and Square Dance Camp.

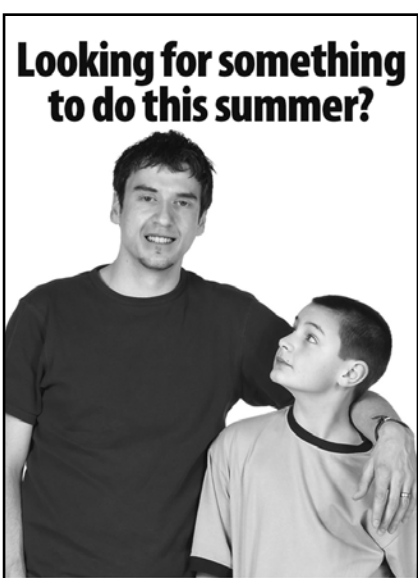
Camp Explorer, for ages 6 to 12, is offered towards the end of the summer and features a unique way to explore some of the Bay Area's hot spots, including the Monterey Bay Aquarium and the new Morgan Hill Aquatic Center. Day Trippin' is offered for ages 11 to 14 and features different field trip activities like kayaking, rock climbing, and a visit to the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum in San Jose.

New this summer is the lunchtime-supervision program for ages 7 to 14. Lunchtime supervision is now offered at the Community Center for kids who are signed up for just morning or afternoon camps held at the community center, giving parent an extra hour to pick up or drop off campers.

Youth ages 13 to 18 are invited to join our Teen Volunteer Program and have the opportunity to work with younger children in our summer camps and our aquatics and theater programs. Candidates for the program must successfully complete an interview and training to participate.

Two drop-in programs will be offered this summer, Monday through Friday, June 25 to August 17. The Lakewood Drop-in Program will be held from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. at the Lakewood Park Building. Dog House Drop In Program has moved to a new location this summer due to construction at the Columbia Middle School and park. The program will be held at Bishop Elementary School, June 25 to August 3.

Registration begins April 9. Early registration is encouraged as many of the programs reach maximum enrollment quickly. Register in person at the Community Center, 550 E. Remington Drive or by phone at (408) 730-7341. ☎



**Looking for something to do this summer?**

**You never forget someone who makes a difference in your life.**

**Be that someone.**

Working in Recreation provides an opportunity for you to have a great summer experience and make money, too. Call (408) 730-7350 today for more information, or log onto [RecJobs.inSunnyvale.com](http://RecJobs.inSunnyvale.com)

# VOCOLOT A CAPPELLA GROUP PERFORMS APRIL 14

The all-female a cappella group Vocolot performs a concert of "a cappella music with a Jewish soul" at 8 p.m., Saturday, April 14, at the intimate Sunnyvale Theatre.

The Berkeley-based group sings in English, Hebrew, Yiddish, Arabic and Ladino, the vanishing language of the Sephardic Jews, which is a Romance language related to Castilian Spanish. Their music combines folk, jazz and Jewish cantorial traditions with global percussion instruments in original songs and new renderings of ancient songs and texts.

Vocolot's founder and director Linda Hirschhorn is an internationally-recognized composer of choral arrangements and voted

"best cantor in Northern California" for her services at San Leandro's Temple Beth Shalom. Other group members are singer-songwriter Julia Bordenaro, Shana Levy, former Beach Blanket Babylon cast member Jennifer Karno and Middle Eastern percussionist Liz Stuart.

Critics have called their music "uplifting and entertaining" and praised Vocolot for its "sheer vocal fireworks" and "music that embodies peace, resilience and reconciliation." At the Contemporary a Cappella Recording Awards, Vocolot's *Heart Beat* won best album, and their song *La Comida* won best song.

Sunnyvale Theatre is located at 550 E. Remington Drive. General admission tickets are \$25; discount tickets for students and seniors are \$20. Group discounts are also

## ACCESSIBLE RECREATION

The City of Sunnyvale encourages persons with disabilities to participate in any of our Parks and Recreation programs. We will make reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities in accordance with the Americans for Disabilities Act. If you require special accommodations, call (408) 730-7725, TDD (408) 730-7501, at least five days in advance of the program or activity.

available. For tickets, call the Sunnyvale Theatre box office at (408) 733-6611. The box office is open Monday – Friday, 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., and two hours prior to shows. For additional information, call Sunnyvale Theatre administrative office at (408) 730-7725 or visit [arts.inSunnyvale.com](http://arts.inSunnyvale.com). ☎

# NOVA'S PROVEN PEOPLE PROGRAM

## SENIORS DEMONSTRATE PROVEN EXPERIENCE

**N**OVA's Proven People is a unique program, one of the few of its kind within the state. Co-administered by the City of Sunnyvale and NOVA, Proven People provides employment and referral services for workers 55 years of age and over throughout Santa Clara County at no cost to either the job seeker or the employer.

Proven People got its start in the

late 1970s when a Sunnyvale Senior Center member requested assistance finding someone to perform simple maintenance. When a retiree offered to do the work for her at a reasonable price, the program began in earnest. Many retirees have since discovered they enjoy providing service to the community.

"Many applicants are frequently referred to neighbors and friends," explained Millie Winsberg, a Proven People staff member, "which

increases their customer base." The benefit is mutual, as those in need of services find reliable, skilled workers, and those able to provide the services receive supplemental income and purposeful work. "An older worker brings experience, expertise, dependability and dedication to the workplace, traits employers value," offered Winsberg.

Not only does Proven People bring local residents together, local businesses have also found excellent full-time, part-time and short-term employees through the program. "We've placed bookkeepers, accountants, receptionists and clerical staff with various businesses," said Jo Reinhart, another Proven People staff member. Many local businesses have hired senior workers for casual employment and some return for referrals to find more formal job candidates. Proven People staff follow up with both the employers and the job seekers to ensure successful outcomes all around.

In 1990, NOVA took over administration of the program. Matching older workers with appropriate jobs, and thus contributing to local economic growth, has been the mission of NOVA's Proven People program for more than 15 years.

The Proven People office is located at the Sunnyvale Senior Center and is open Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. To list a job opening or to apply with the program, call Proven People staff at (408) 730-7368 or fax listings to (408) 739-3729.

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permission to file a request for a General Plan amendment that would allow construction of an onsite hotel. With another unanimous vote, the request was approved, paving the way for the developers to make the formal request for the plan amendment. The new developer is seeking to add a hotel with up to 200 rooms, and up to 40,000 square feet of office space while reducing retail space by about 30,000 square feet.

Perhaps the most significant action was the unanimous approval of the Amended and Restated Disposition, Development and Owner Participation Agreement, known as the ARDDOPA. This is the document that established much of the relationship between the developer and the RDA. Unlike the original DDOPA signed with Fourth Quarter, the ARDDOPA includes substantial penalties – ranging from \$1,000 a day to more than \$11,000 per day – for missed milestones during construction.

The final action at the meeting was another unanimous approval of the construction mitigation plan. Following both community meetings and specific construction meetings held in downtown to discuss mitigation needs, the required plan was submitted by the developer. The plan outlines procedures the developer will use during demolition and construction to minimize the impact of noise, dust, traffic and other project-related issues on homes and businesses near the redevelopment site.

Regularly-updated redevelopment project information from the City is available on the Web at [downtown.inSunnyvale.com](http://downtown.inSunnyvale.com).

## COMMUNITY EVENTS APPLICATION

Planning a community event in Sunnyvale? The City has created a simplified process to help you determine what types of permits and approvals you will need. It's called the Community Event Application. All you need to do is complete the application and submit it to the Community Resources Division at least 60 days before your event. Staff will review your application with all appropriate City departments and respond back to you with any conditions, costs, permit needs and/or requests for additional information. To get a copy of the community event application, visit [EventApplication.inSunnyvale.com](http://EventApplication.inSunnyvale.com) or call (408) 730-7599, TDD (408) 730-7501.

## SUNNYVALE PUBLIC SAFETY BRINGS BACK CHAPLAIN PROGRAM

**T**he Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS) has reintroduced its chaplain program, bringing onboard Chaplain James R. Smith.

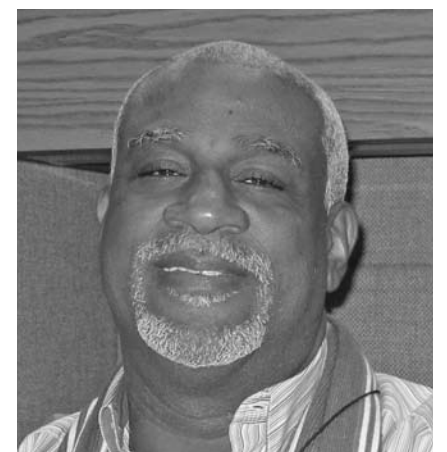
Smith is a licensed, ordained minister and a certified police chaplain, who has founded several outreach ministries. Smith has vast counseling experience in family and marriage, grief, youth issues and substance abuse. He has been an institutional chaplain in school districts, hospitals, prisons and private organizations. Smith also has training in critical incident stress management.

The chaplain program is a valuable resource for both City staff and the community. He is available to respond to critical incidents, follow up with victims and work with community members as a counseling resource.

As his schedule permits, Smith will visit Sunnyvale schools, social advocacy agencies and houses of worship to introduce himself and the

resources he can provide. Messages for Smith can be directed to (408) 730-7153 or e-mailed to [jsmith@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:jsmith@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

The Sunnyvale DPS chaplain program is part of the City's Crime Prevention Unit, which offers a variety of safety services to the public. If you have any questions about the program or crime prevention services, call (408) 730-7140.



Chaplain James R. Smith.



# TRAFFIC SAFETY IN SUNNYVALE

The traffic safety unit of Sunnyvale’s Department of Public Safety (DPS) works every day to ensure the safe and effective flow of vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic throughout the City. The traffic safety unit accomplishes this goal by using three main tools: education, engineering and enforcement.

The traffic safety unit works with neighborhood resource officers to educate students and the public in traffic safety concerns through events such as the Heath & Safety Fair and child safety seat installations. The unit also works with the City’s Department of Public Works Traffic Engineering Division to ensure that roadways have the necessary signage and striping, and that traffic signals are maintained. This helps keep a safe and effective traffic flow, especially through residential and school areas.

The most visible part of the traffic safety unit’s day-to-day duties is its

enforcement program. Since January 1, 2006, the four members of the traffic safety unit issued more than 4,000 citations. Of those, more than 1,300 were for speeding vehicles, which continues to be the leading cause of vehicular collisions within the City. The traffic safety unit is committed to reducing the number of accidents and will continue to take an active role in speed enforcement.

The traffic safety unit has also stepped up enforcement at high-volume intersections throughout the City to address the issue of vehicles running red lights, another leading cause of collisions within the City. The traffic safety unit recently took



part in a county-wide red-light-runner campaign and issued 93 citations in a five-day period. In 2006, the traffic safety unit issued roughly 500 citations for vehicles failing to obey signs and signals.

The unit works hard to be responsive to the community, fielding hundreds of traffic complaints a year. Most of these complaints are in residential neighborhoods and school zones. The traffic safety unit makes these complaints a top priority and addresses each complaint within 72 hours.

The members of the traffic safety unit are committed to dealing with all matters of traffic safety and addressing the traffic concerns of residents. They continue to be professional in their approach to traffic safety issues, working to build a stronger partnership with the community. If you have traffic-related concerns, contact the traffic safety unit at (408) 730-7109, or visit [dps.inSunnyvale.com](http://dps.inSunnyvale.com).

# SUNNYVALE HOSTS 13TH ANNUAL BASKETBALL SHOOTOUT

More than 200 people came to the Columbia Neighborhood Center to watch the top seventh- and eighth-grade basketball shooters from eight Sunnyvale schools February 2, as the Sunnyvale Departments of Public Safety and Parks and Recreation hosted the 13th annual basketball shootout. The goal for each participant was to shoot as many baskets as they could in 60 seconds as they moved to designated spots around the basket for each shot.

Student competition was fierce, with each first-place shooter winning by just one basket. The seventh- and eighth-grade girls had a tie for first place which was resolved through a tie-breaker shootout. The seventh-grade boys also had a shootout to determine second place. All finalists received a basketball shootout T-shirt. The Sunnyvale Elks Club

co-sponsored the event and awarded the first-place winners an Xbox and a basketball. Second-place winners were presented an iPod Shuffle and

a basketball. The Sunnyvale Elks Club also provided free food and refreshments for all participants and their families.

## Results

### SEVENTH GRADE

#### Boys

- 1st Place** Gino Malin, St. Cyprians..... 6 baskets
- 2nd Place** Brandon Ustarsis, Sunnyvale..... 15 baskets

#### Girls

- 1st Place** Mariela Murillo, St. Martins ..... 13 baskets
- 2nd Place** Gabrielle Squarcia, Cupertino Middle ..... 12 baskets

### EIGHTH GRADE

#### Boys

- 1st Place** Ayal Pomerantz, Cupertino Middle..... 17 baskets
- 2nd Place** Bryan Grevara, St Martins ..... 16 baskets

#### Girls

- 1st Place** KC Viray, Columbia Middle..... 12 baskets
- 2nd Place** Chelsea Rodriguez, Columbia Middle ..... 11 baskets

# SUNNYVALE EXPLORER SCOUTS HELP STOP A BURGLAR

Sunnyvale Explorer Scouts get a lot of experience through their work with the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS). Occasionally, they even help fight crime. A flyer posted by a Sunnyvale Explorer Scout recently led to the arrest of a suspect, who was caught burglarizing a local

residence. DPS officers say without the 1,000 flyers the Explorers distributed door-to-door warning of recent burglaries in the area, the suspect may not have been apprehended.

The woman who reported the in-progress burglary said that because of the flyer, when she heard noises in her back bedrooms, she left her house to call DPS rather

than investigating what she heard. Because of the Explorers’ community education activities, the suspect not only was apprehended, he was caught red-handed.

The Explorer Program is a division of the Boy Scouts of America for youth 14 – 20 years old. For more information, call the DPS Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 730-7140.

# NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

**Birdland Neighbors\***

Contact: Rose Bullinger  
(408) 737-2781  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/BirdlandNeighbors](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/BirdlandNeighbors)  
Meetings: Call/e-mail for upcoming meetings

**Braly Corners Neighborhood Association\***

Contact: Jack Kroll  
(408) 739-2729  
[jkroll@igc.org](mailto:jkroll@igc.org)  
Meetings: Call/e-mail for upcoming meetings

**Canary Drive Neighborhood Association\***

Contact: Steve Gospe  
(408)736-4591  
Meetings: Call contact person.

**Charles Street 100\***

Contact: Monica Davis  
(650) 947-2294  
[monica.davis@cbnocal.com](mailto:monica.davis@cbnocal.com)  
Meetings: Call/e-mail for upcoming meetings

**Cherry Orchard Neighbors Association\***

Contact: Carla Klein  
[cjklein@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cjklein@sbcglobal.net)  
Meetings: E-mail for upcoming meetings

**Cumberland South Neighborhood Association\***

Contact: Reid Myers  
(408) 749-0903  
[cumberlandsouth-owner@yahoogroups.com](mailto:cumberlandsouth-owner@yahoogroups.com)

**Gavello Glen Neighborhood Association**

Contact: Wil & Barb Marshman  
(408) 736-0400  
[BMarshman@mercurynews.com](mailto:BMarshman@mercurynews.com)  
Meetings: Call/e-mail for upcoming meetings

**Heritage District Neighborhood Association\***

Contact: Tom Carrig  
(408) 736-6147  
[car357@pacbell.net](mailto:car357@pacbell.net)  
Dave Whittum  
(650) 906-7681  
[whittum@ieee.org](mailto:whittum@ieee.org)  
Meetings: First Friday of the month, 7 p.m., at Murphy Park Building.

**Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association\***

Contact: Michael Majchrowicz  
[president@lvna.net](mailto:president@lvna.net)  
Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., at Lakewood Park Building  
[www.lvna.net](http://www.lvna.net)

**Lowlanders Neighborhood Association**

Contact: Bill Godwin  
(408) 242-5687  
Meetings: Quarterly meetings at Murphy Park Building.  
Call the contact person for details.

**Ortega Park Neighborhood Association\***

Contact: Kitty Chuang  
[opna\\_kitty@yahoo.com](mailto:opna_kitty@yahoo.com)  
Meetings: Call contact person

**Panama Park Neighborhood**

**Association\***

Contact: Robert Harms  
(408) 736-9128  
Meetings: Call contact person.

**Ponderosa Park Neighborhood Association\***

Contact: Kristin Farnham  
(408) 261-2055  
Meetings: Call contact person.

**Raynor Park Neighborhood Association**

Contact: Irene Castro  
(408) 739-5739  
[rpnasunnyvale@aol.com](mailto:rpnasunnyvale@aol.com)  
Meetings: Second Thursday of every other month. Call the contact person about upcoming meetings

**San Miguel Neighbors Association\***

Contact: Tara Martin-Milius  
[taramil@sbcglobal.net](mailto:taramil@sbcglobal.net)  
Meetings: Second Monday of the month at 7 p.m., San Miguel School teacher's lounge

**S.N.A.I.L. – Columbia Area\***

Contact: Jim Quaderer, Chairperson  
(408) 737-9479  
Meetings: First Thursday of the month at 7 p.m., Columbia Middle School teacher's lounge

**Stratford Gardens Neighborhood Association\***

Contact: Don R. Thomas  
(408) 733-2621  
[drtentld@aol.com](mailto:drtentld@aol.com)  
Meetings: Call/e-mail for upcoming meetings

**SunnyArts Neighborhood Association\***

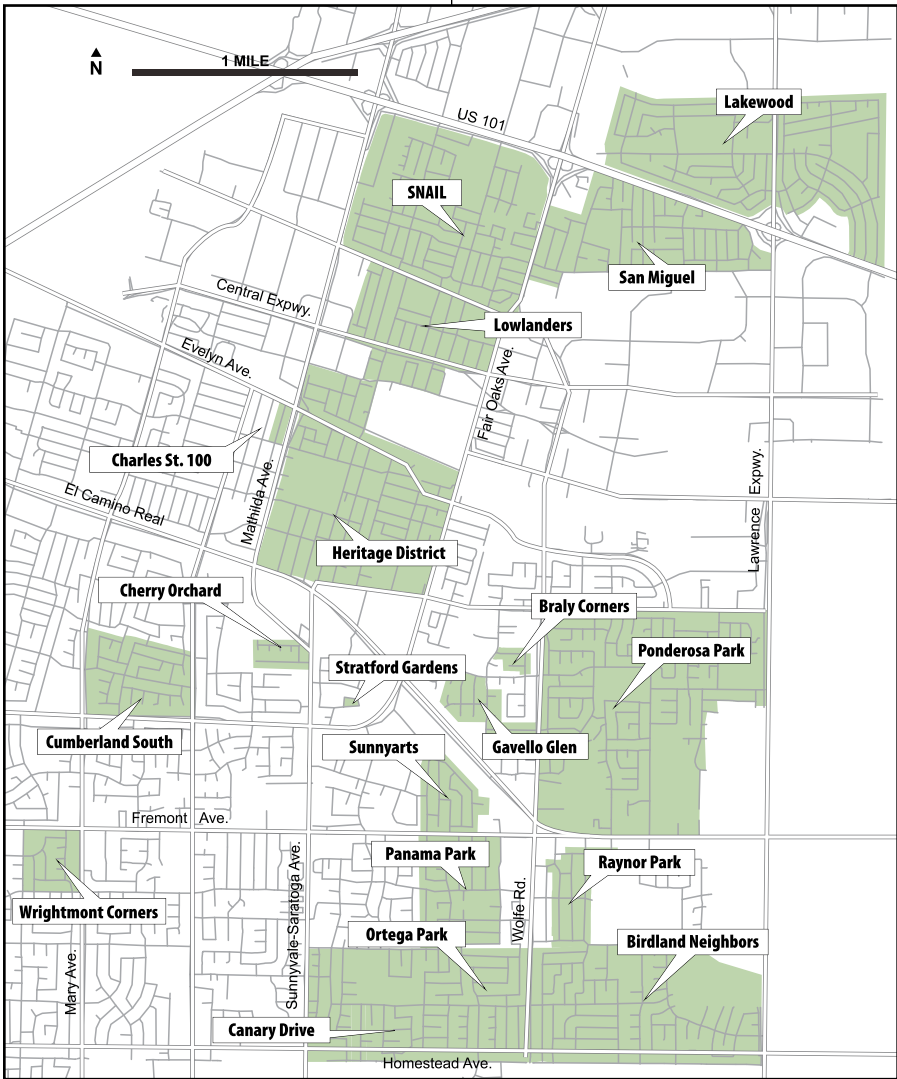
Contact: Amit Srivastava  
(408) 624-0044  
[mrarnit@gmail.com](mailto:mrarnit@gmail.com)  
Meetings: Call/e-mail for upcoming meetings

**Wrightmont Corner**

Contact: Connie Portele  
(408) 736-3585  
[cportele@comcast.net](mailto:cportele@comcast.net)  
Meetings: Call/e-mail for upcoming meetings

If you are interested in starting a Neighborhood Association, contact Nathan Truitt, Community Outreach Coordinator, (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501 or [ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

\*Denotes registered neighborhood associations. Registered neighborhood associations have entered into an agreement with the City of Sunnyvale and receive special rights and privileges as outlined in that agreement.



## NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION: STRATFORD GARDENS

Stratford Gardens Neighborhood Association is the most recent addition to Sunnyvale's group of active neighborhood associations. This new association was formed with the goal of creating and maintaining a positive neighborhood environment. Although Stratford Gardens has had an active homeowners association for years, starting a neighborhood association is a great way to socialize, discuss ideas of importance and create a direct link to the City of Sunnyvale.

For information on upcoming meetings, contact Stratford Gardens Chairpersons Don and Charmaine Thomas at (408) 733-2621.

If you have an interest in forming a neighborhood association or would like more information about getting involved in your community, visit [neighborhoods.inSunnyvale.com](http://neighborhoods.inSunnyvale.com), or contact Community Outreach Coordinator Nathan Truitt at (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501, or e-mail [ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).



## BLOCK PARTY KIT ONLINE

Warmer weather is quickly approaching, and the City has a resource for Sunnyvale neighbors who want to get outdoors, socialize and have some fun. It's the online Block Party Kit, available at [BlockParty.inSunnyvale.com](http://BlockParty.inSunnyvale.com). This easy-to-follow, step by step guide to organizing your neighborhood block party includes links to City forms for permits and street closures, and helpful tips to make sure your block party is a success. For more information about having a block party in your neighborhood, contact Nathan Truitt, Community Outreach Coordinator, at (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501 or [ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).



# NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT PROGRAM

Last year, the City of Sunnyvale introduced the Neighborhood Grant Program to fund neighborhood projects and events planned and carried out by neighborhood associations and groups within Sunnyvale.

The program offers grants of up to \$1,000 per association or group. The grants must be applied for in advance and be used for one of the following:

- Increasing communication among neighbors
- Building bridges between cultural groups

- Improving the physical condition of the neighborhood
- Enhancing neighborhood pride and identity

Creative ideas for projects and events are encouraged. Examples of some grant fund uses are start-up funds for neighborhood association newsletters or directories, cleanup and beautification activities, block parties and cultural awareness events.

Although the program is open to all neighborhood groups, priority for approval is given to registered Sunnyvale neighborhood associations, mobile home park resident associations and groups

currently applying to become a registered Sunnyvale neighborhood association.

Neighborhood Grant Program applications are currently being accepted for projects and events to be completed during fiscal year 2007/08, July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008. Applications will be accepted until Friday, June 1, at 5 p.m. To download an application or get more information about the Neighborhood Grant Program, visit *neighborhoods.inSunnyvale.com* or contact Community Outreach Coordinator Nathan Truitt at (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501, or e-mail *ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us*. ☎

## FOR YOUR HEALTH COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERIES

For three years, Camino Medical Group (CMG) and the City of Sunnyvale have offered a free health series, featuring a wide variety of health-related, timely topics of interest to you and your family. Presentations are led by CMG physicians and are free and open to the public.

All lectures are held 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. at Sunnyvale City Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave. Presentations are televised on KSUN-15, the City of Sunnyvale's government access cable television channel, during the week following the presentation. To reserve your seat, call (408) 523-3295 or visit *www.caminomedical.org*.

### Wednesday, April 28 MENOPAUSE AND MORE

*Presented by Vivien D'Andrea, M.D.*

This lecture will cover the latest options for treating symptoms for menopause and perimenopause.

### Wednesday, May 23 THE FUTURE FOR CANCER TREATMENT

*Presented by Edmund Tai, M.D.*

Learn about new targeted therapeutic approaches to cancer and the way doctors are working to improve cancer treatment.

## CITYSKILLS: COMMUNITY EDUCATION

When challenging issues arise in the community, it can be difficult to know who to talk to or how to develop support for your viewpoint. CitySkills, a community education program, teaches people living and working in Sunnyvale how to effectively address issues with City government and take a leadership role in the community.

Created as a partnership between the City of Sunnyvale and Silicon Valley Leadership, CitySkills curriculum covers a variety of topics presented by community leaders and City staff. Sunnyvale history, city budgeting, goal setting, conflict resolution and many other topics help attendees build a foundation for civic engagement.

In addition to lecture material, CitySkills attendees are given several opportunities to interact with each other. During the mock council meeting, attendees role-play together, practicing the skills necessary to present ideas and

# CitySkills

enact change through City Council. There is also time in each class for questions and group discussion, during which classmates begin networking and sharing ideas which are important to the Sunnyvale community.

CitySkills is held each spring and fall. Each session accommodates approximately 20 participants, so those interested are encouraged to apply early. The next session of CitySkills begins April 19, and runs for consecutive Thursday evenings, through May 10. The cost for CitySkills is just \$15, which may be waived by volunteering two hours with the City of Sunnyvale.

If you are interested in attending CitySkills, you can download an application from *CitySkills*.

*inSunnyvale.com* or contact Nathan Truitt, Community Outreach coordinator at (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501, or *ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us*. ☎

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# SUNNYVALE GARAGE SALE DAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 21

## MAKE REUSE A PRIORITY

Saturday, April 21, is Sunnyvale Garage Sale Day. Hold a sale, shop or do both to reuse those valuable household items. When you resell and reuse household items, it makes a difference – to your pocketbook, the community and the

environment. Put reuse at the top of your list. If you would like a copy of a booklet containing tips about holding a garage sale, donating or online selling of your unwanted household items, visit [www.sunnyvalerecycles.org](http://www.sunnyvalerecycles.org) or call the

Recycling Center at (408) 730-7262 for a copy of *Freedom to Reuse*. The Citywide garage sale has been protecting the environment through reusing household goods since 1992. Shop, save and protect the Earth! ♻️

# ANTIBACTERIAL PRODUCTS CAN BE OVERUSED

## CAN CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS, CREATE STRONGER GERMS

Eliminate germs! It's a marketing catchphrase you've probably seen countless times, developed in response to a perceived danger on the part of consumers. As a result, the use of antibacterial products has skyrocketed in the last few years. Currently, more than 700 products containing antibacterial chemicals, most notably triclosan, are being marketed for the home, and antibacterial agents can be found in everything from soaps, toothpaste, clothes and toys, to kitchenware, bedding and bath products. As a result of extensive human use, triclosan – a registered pesticide that can accumulate in humans and fish – has been found in bodies of water, including San Francisco Bay.

Since normal wastewater treatment process cannot remove triclosan from the water, large quantities of the chemical are continuously discharged into waterways. Recent studies show these antibacterial products may be causing human health problems as well as environmental harm. One major concern is that overexposure to triclosan will allow bacteria to become resistant to antibacterial products, rendering them useless to those who actually need them such as hospitals who use antibacterial agents as an important health care and sanitary tool. According to the American Medical Association, the Food and Drug Administration and other researchers, chemically-based antibacterial soaps and related products are no

more effective than plain soap in protecting us from germs. **Alternatives to Triclosan** ■ Wash hands thoroughly. Regular soaps are effective and work well. Lather hands for at least 10 to 15 seconds and rinse in warm water. ■ Wash hands often, especially when handling food, before eating, after using the bathroom and when someone in your house is sick. ■ Dry hands with a clean towel to avoid recontamination. ■ Wash surfaces that come in contact with food with detergent and water. ■ Wash children's hands and toys regularly to prevent infection. ♻️

## EARTH WEEK CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **"Dream Green Kitchens" Workshop**, with Jennifer Roberts – April 18, Sunnyvale Public Library Program Room: 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.
- **Birding Tours** – April 18, Sunnyvale Landfill, 144 Borregas Ave.: noon – 1 p.m.
- **Compost Workshop** – April 21, Heritage Building, Community Center, 550 E. Remington; Seed give-away: 10 a.m. – noon
- **Thermometer Exchange** – April 20, 10 a.m – 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. – 6 p.m., Sunnyvale Community Center, 550 E. Remington Drive
- **Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Event** – April 21, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., SMaRT Station; dispose of household hazardous products; learn about safer alternatives
- **Sunnyvale Garage Sale Day** – April 21 (throughout Sunnyvale)
- **Sunnyvale Farmers' Market** – April 21, Murphy Avenue, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

# CELEBRATE EARTH DAY YOUR WAY

## UPCOMING COMMUNITY-WIDE EVENTS

Earth Day, April 22, is a time to honor the Earth and celebrate the environment. This year, Sunnyvale will offer a mix of things to do to celebrate Earth Day. Choose what works for you and your family; we'll point the way to events or places to visit. Plan a waste-free lunch in one of our beautiful parks. Visit the local Farmers' Market on Murphy Avenue, Saturday, 9 a.m. to

1 p.m. Attend a compost workshop or tour the Sunnyvale Community Garden. Attend the "Dream Green Kitchen" workshop, (see article, page 5) or turn in that mercury thermometer for a safer model (see article, page 13). For a complete list of dates, times and places of Sunnyvale events, visit Earth Day at [www.sunnyvalerecycles.org](http://www.sunnyvalerecycles.org). ♻️

## BRING YOUR OWN BAG! EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY

Grocery shopping. It's something we all do. But have you ever stopped to think how many shopping bags it takes to hold all the groceries purchased by all the shoppers in the county? And what happens to all those bags after they've fulfilled their one purpose in life? With Earth Day fast approaching, the City of Sunnyvale is working with Santa Clara County's Integrated Waste Management Division to launch a new awareness campaign, designed to give residents a simple way to help protect the Earth: reusing grocery shopping bags. Several markets in Sunnyvale already offer cloth shopping bags for their customers. Let Earth Day be your excuse to start choosing reusable bags when you shop.



# GETTING RID OF MERCURY

## PROPER DISPOSAL OF MERCURY IS BENEFICIAL TO THE ENVIRONMENT

In the 18th century, German physicist Gabriel Fahrenheit developed the most accurate thermometer the world had ever seen. His secret? Mercury, which expanded at a predictable, measurable rate. While Fahrenheit was able to harness mercury to create his new thermometers, he didn't have the depth of knowledge we have today about this toxic substance. Evaporated mercury from a broken thermometer, spilled into a crack or soaked into a carpet, can lead to potentially dangerous indoor air

levels and may create a health risk for families inside their home.

Improper disposal, such as pouring the mercury down the drain or placing it in the trash, can also be harmful to the environment. Just one broken thermometer is sufficient to contaminate enough water to fill 200 Olympic-sized pools – 5 million gallons. To avoid environmental contamination, these products must be properly disposed of as household hazardous waste.

Sunnyvale residents can recycle products such as mercury-containing thermostats and

thermometers, fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, and various types of batteries at the SMaRT Station, or at household hazardous waste drop-off events held the third Saturday of each month, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., except December.

Eliminating even a small amount of mercury will have a beneficial effect on the environment, and reduces the risk to humans and other living organisms. For more information, call the Environmental Services Department at (408) 730-7738, TDD (408) 730-7501, or visit [wpcp.sunnyvale.ca.gov](http://wpcp.sunnyvale.ca.gov).

**Mercury Thermometer Exchange**  
April 20 at the Sunnyvale Community Center  
550 E. Remington Drive  
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

# CARE FOR YOURSELF AND THE EARTH

In Sunnyvale, in addition to the collection of garbage, recyclable materials and yard trimmings, residents are provided with opportunities to learn how to safely maintain their home and garden. Of special interest this spring are the household hazardous drop-off events and the compost workshops.

## Making Compost is So Easy – Learn How in Sunnyvale

Beautiful yards filled with vibrant colors and plush foliage can be grown in an environment that is also healthy for you and your family. The more these beautiful lawns and gardens are supported by compost, rather than fertilizer or pesticides, the healthier our community will be.

How-to workshops are held monthly through October at the Sunnyvale Heritage Building at the Sunnyvale Community Center, 550 E. Remington Drive, from 10 a.m. to noon. Even if you have a gardener, you may want to come to the workshop to learn about working with a gardener to make compost in your own yard. Sunnyvale residents who attend these workshops are eligible to purchase a compost bin (one per household) at a significant discount. To register for a workshop, contact the Sunnyvale Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262.

**Next Workshop Dates:**  
April 21, May 19 and June 16

## Sunnyvale Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Events

Sunnyvale residents may bring hazardous materials, including cleaning products, mercury-containing products such as fluorescent bulbs and yard maintenance products, to a monthly Sunnyvale Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off event (see guidelines below). When you have a full-limit load, bring your hazardous



household waste to a drop-off event in Sunnyvale.

Other items accepted at a household hazardous waste disposal event include: pesticides, insecticides, herbicides, flammable or combustible liquids, fire extinguishers, paints, household cleaning and pool maintenance products. For more information about the Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Event schedule, contact the Sunnyvale Recycling Program (408) 730-7262.

Businesses with small quantities of hazardous waste may be eligible to participate in a county drop-off program, by appointment only; some fees will apply. Call (408) 299-7300 for details.

### Planning Your HHW Drop-off Trip

- Make sure that all materials are in the original container or carefully contained in a non-leaking sealed container.
- Do not mix materials.

- Follow the 5/50 rule of thumb: make the trip to a drop-off event when you have the maximum allowable quantities of five gallons or 50 pounds per trip.

### Shop after the drop

Some dropped-off materials are available at no charge for reuse. To shop for dropped-off products, stop by the event site between 1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. at a scheduled drop-off event.

Events are held the third Saturday of each month, except December.

**Next event dates:**  
Apr. 21, May 19 and June 16

**Hours:** 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

No appointments required for Sunnyvale residents.

**Location:** 164 Carl Road, Sunnyvale

**April 1 – June 30, 2007**  
Community Calendar also available online: [www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/events](http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/events)

In addition to City-sponsored events, the Community Calendar includes non City-sponsored events. Events posted to this calendar do not necessarily imply endorsement by the City of Sunnyvale. The calendar serves as an information-only resource for the community. All dates and times are subject to change.

City Holiday

**May 28**  
City Offices Closed (in observance of Memorial Day)

City Meetings

**City Council:** Meets most Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Arts Commission:** Meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee:** Meets on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Board of Building Code Appeals:** Meetings are held only when necessary. For more information call (408) 730-7444.

**Board of Library Trustees:** Meets on the first Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Child Care Advisory Board:** Meets on the fourth Tuesday of each quarter, 11:30 a.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Heritage Preservation Commission:** Meets on the first Wednesday of every other month, 7 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Housing and Human Services Commission:** Meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Parks and Recreation Commission:** Meets on the second Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Personnel Board:** Meets on the third Monday of the month, 5 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Planning Commission:** Meets on the second and fourth Monday of the month, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

Recurring Community Meetings and Events

**American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting:** 1:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Senior Center, 550 E. Remington Dr. For more information contact Lu Zentner, (408) 481-0890 or [ez611@comcast.net](mailto:ez611@comcast.net).

**Business Mixer,** 5 p.m., evening networking events held every fourth Thursday of the month. For more information or to make a reservation contact the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971.

**Farmer's Market,** Saturdays (rain or shine), 9 a.m. —1 p.m., S. Murphy Ave. between Washington and Evelyn Avenues. For more information call (510) 745-7100 or visit [www.urbanvillageonline.com/sunnyvale/index.html](http://www.urbanvillageonline.com/sunnyvale/index.html)

**Fair Oaks Toastmasters,** Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Fair Oaks West Club, 655 S. Fair Oaks Ave. For more information contact Hanh Chau, (408) 251-2521, [bchau1@aol.com](mailto:bchau1@aol.com) or visit [www.geocities.com/fairoakstoastmasters](http://www.geocities.com/fairoakstoastmasters) .

**Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay,** 6:30 p.m., meets the fourth Wednesday of the month. Camino Medical Group Urgent Care Center; Conference Room #2, 201 Old San Francisco Road. For more information contact Sally Twestens, Health Education Department, Camino Medical Group, (408) 523-3221 or Chris Saleh, Moderator/Founder, (408) 404-8479

**Impressions Scrapbooking and Crafts** Meets the first Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., Sunnyvale Adventist Church Fellowship Hall, 653 W. Fremont Ave. For more information contact Shannon Fiorello, (408) 782-0105, [cropalong@hotmail.com](mailto:cropalong@hotmail.com) or Shannon Andres, (408) 245-5634, [cmbeartsong@hotmail.com](mailto:cmbeartsong@hotmail.com).

**Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off,** Drop-off at Sunnyvale Event Site (164 Carl Rd), 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., Held on the third Saturday of every month (except December). For more information call (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.

**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting:** 7:20 a.m., Lookout Inn, 605 Macara Ave., (Sunnyvale Golf Course). For more information contact Bruce Carlson, (408) 774-0609 or [bruce@carlsonfun.com](mailto:bruce@carlsonfun.com).

**Wake-Up Sunnyvale,** Monthly networking breakfasts held every second Thursday of the month at 7:30 a.m. For more information or to make a reservation please contact the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971.

Neighborhood Association Meetings

**Heritage District Neighborhood Association Meetings** Meets held the first Friday of each month, 7 p.m., Murphy Park Building, 260 N. Sunnyvale Ave. For more information, please call Tom Carrig at (408) 736-6147.

**Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Meetings** Meets the second Thursday of each month, 7 p.m. (except December), Fairwood School or Lakewood School – please visit the Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association web site for locations at [www.lvna.net](http://www.lvna.net). For more information, please email Ursula Syrova at [president@lvna.net](mailto:president@lvna.net).

**San Miguel Neighbors Association Meetings** Meets the second Monday of each month, 7 p.m., San Miguel School Teachers' Lounge, 777 San Miguel Ave. For more information, please call Tara Martin-Milius at (408) 733-5778.

**SNAIL (Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor Including La Linda)** Meets the first Thursday of each month, 7 p.m., Columbia Middle School, Teacher's Lounge, 739 Morse Ave. For more information contact Elaine Rowan, (408) 749-1846.

Classes and Programs

**Compost Workshop,** Sunnyvale Community Center Arboretum, 10 a.m. – noon. Workshops are one Saturday per month with registration deadline the day before. For more information, call the Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.

April 2007

**March 31 – April 1 Extra Dump Weekend,** free for Sunnyvale residents, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. For more information call (408) 730-7262 or [www.sunnyvalerecycles.org](http://www.sunnyvalerecycles.org) .

**April 1 Fair Oaks Toastmasters,** 11:30 a.m.

**April 2 – 27 Spring Cleanup** – Extra Garbage pickup on regularly scheduled pickup days. To schedule a large item pickup or for more information call (408) 565-9900.

**April 2 Board of Library Trustees Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**April 3 City Council Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**April 4 Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,** 7:20 a.m.

**American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting,**1:30 p.m.

**Impressions Scrapbooking & Crafts,** 7 p.m.

**April 5 SNAIL Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**April 6 Heritage District Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting,** 7:30 p.m.

**April 7 Farmer's Market.** 9 a.m.

**Arbor Day Celebration,** 10:30 a.m., Sunnyvale Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Stories and tree-planting for children of all ages and their families. For more information call (408) 730-7300 or [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org)

**California Theatre Center** presents – *Bremen Town Musicians*. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 245-2978 or visit [www.ctcinc.org](http://www.ctcinc.org) .

**April 8 Fair Oaks Toastmasters,** 11:30 a.m.

**April 9 San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**Planning Commission Meeting,** 8 p.m.

**April 10 City Council Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**April 11 Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,** 7:20 a.m.

**Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**April 12 Wake-Up Sunnyvale,** 7:30 a.m.

**April 14-15 Extra Dump Weekend,** free for Sunnyvale residents, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. For more information call (408) 730-7262 or [www.sunnyvalerecycles.org](http://www.sunnyvalerecycles.org) .

**April 14** Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

**California Theatre Center** presents – *Bremen Town Musicians*. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 245-2978 or visit [www.ctcinc.org](http://www.ctcinc.org) .

**Evenings of Cultural Arts Presents** – *Vocolot, A Cappella With A Jewish Soul*, 8 p.m., Sunnyvale Community Center Theatre, 550 E. Remington Dr. For more information, or to purchase tickets, call (408) 733-6611.

**April 15 Fair Oaks Toastmasters,** 11:30 a.m.

**April 16 Personnel Board Meeting,** 5 p.m.

**April 17 No City Council Meeting** – Spring Break

**April 18 Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,** 7:20 a.m.

**Arts Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**Dream Green Kitchens,** 7 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Join author Jennifer Roberts, for a lively talk about what green means when it comes to the kitchen, the nation's most frequently remodeled room. Get tips for eco-friendly redecorating and remodeling, and advice on how to keep costs in check when greening your kitchen. Sunnyvale Building Division staff will be on hand to answer your questions about permit requirements for kitchen remodeling projects. Call (408) 730-7484 to reserve your space (walk-ins are welcome, space permitting). For more information on Library events, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org).

**April 19 Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting,** 6:30 p.m.

**April 20 Mercury Thermometer Exchange,** 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. and again from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m., Sunnyvale Community Center, 550 E. Remington Drive. Exchange your mercury fever thermometer and receive a free non-mercury fever thermometer in return. To avoid breakage and contamination, mercury thermometers MUST be contained in an unbreakable and closed container such as its original case, a plastic toothbrush holder, or a soda/water bottle with a screw-on cap. As a second measure of protection, the closed container must be placed in a sealable plastic bag (zip-lock is fine). Other mercury-containing products will not be accepted at this event. For more information call Environmental Outreach at (408) 730-7738.

**April 20 – May 13 Sunnyvale Community Players presents** – *Into The Woods*.

For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit [www.sunnyvaleplayers.org](http://www.sunnyvaleplayers.org)

**April 21** Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

**California Theatre Center** presents – *Bremen Town Musicians*. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 245-2978 or visit [www.ctcinc.org](http://www.ctcinc.org) .

**Citywide Garage Sale Day** – For more information please call the Sunnyvale Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262 or [recycling@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:recycling@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us) .

**Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off,** 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Compost Workshop, 10 a.m.

**April 22 Earth Day**

**Fair Oaks Toastmasters,** 11:30 a.m.

**April 23 Planning Commission Meeting,** 8 p.m.

**April 24 Child Care Advisory Board,** 11:30 a.m.

**City Council Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**April 25 Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,** 7:20 a.m.

**Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay,** 6:30 p.m.

**Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**“For Your Health” – Community Lecture,** 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave. Reservations are recommended as seating is limited. To reserve your spot call (408) 523-3295 or register at [www.caminomedicalgroup.com/healtheducation/classes/lectures.cfm](http://www.caminomedicalgroup.com/healtheducation/classes/lectures.cfm)



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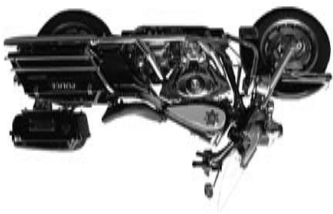


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